## **CLAIMS**

group

1. A device for preventing damage to a wire, the device comprising:
a first curved end for connecting the device to a supporting structure; and
a second curved end for supporting at least one skein of the wire on the device.
2. The device of claim 1, wherein the supporting structure is a ladder.
3. The device of claim 1, wherein the supporting structure is a ceiling component.
4. The device of claim 1, wherein the device is made from a material selected from the
consisting of rubber, plastic, and aluminum.
5. The device of claim 1, wherein a portion of the device is coated with a soft material.
6. The device of claim 5, wherein the soft material is rubber.
7. The device of claim 1, wherein the first curved end is hook shaped.
8 The device of claim 7, wherein the hook shape has a small diameter.

9. The device of claim 1, wherein the first curved end further comprises a fastening
device.
10. The device of claim 9, wherein the fastening device is selected from the group
consisting of a clamp and a latch.
11. The device of claim 1, wherein the second curved end is hook shaped.
12. The device of claim 11, wherein the hook shape has a large diameter.
13. The device of claim 1, wherein the second curved end is coated with a soft material.
13. The device of claim 1, wherein the second carved chain to could want a serior manerial.
14. The device of claim 1, wherein the second curved end has grooves on its inside
surface.
15. The device of claim 1, wherein the second curved end further comprises a fastening
device.

16. The device of claim 15, wherein the fastening device is a clamp.

- 17. The device of claim 1, wherein the first curved end pivots at a hinge.
- 18. The device of claim 1, wherein the second curved end pivots at a hinge.
- 19. A device for preventing damage to a wire, the device comprising: means for connecting the device to a supporting structure; and means for supporting at least one skein of the wire on the device.
- 20. The device of claim 19, further comprising means for changing the shape of the device, wherein the means for changing of the shape of the device is for connecting the device to supporting structures at different angles.
  - 21. A method for preventing damage to a wire, the method comprising:

pulling the wire through a portion of a span within a conduit structure to an intermediate point;

hanging excess of the wire at the intermediate point on a skein holding device, wherein the skein holding device comprises a first curved end for connecting the skein holding device to a supporting structure and a second curved end for supporting at least one skein of the wire on the skein holding device; and

pulling the wire through another portion of the span to a termination point.

- 22. The method of claim 21, further comprising fastening the skein holding device to a supporting structure.
- 23. The method of claim 22, wherein the fastening includes securing the skein holding device to the supporting structure with a latch.
- 24. The method of claim 21, wherein the supporting structure is chosen from the group consisting of a ceiling and a wall.
- 25. The method of claim 21, further comprising fastening the wire to the skein holding device.
  - 26. The method of claim 25, wherein the fastening is done with a latch.
  - 27. The method of claim 21, further comprising: connecting the wire to a beginning point; and connecting the wire to a termination point.